

Introduced by Senator Romero

February 24, 2006

An act relating to pupil testing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1680, as introduced, Romero. Pupil testing: California longitudinal pupil achievement data system.

Existing law establishes the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program under which each school district, charter school, and county office of education is required to administer to each of its pupils in grades 3 and 7 a designated achievement test and a standards-based achievement test, until July 1, 2007, to each of its pupils in grades 2 to 11, inclusive, and, after July 1, 2007, to each of its pupils in grades 3 to 11, inclusive. Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion funds appropriated to enable school districts to use the English language development test to identify limited-English-proficient pupils, to determine their level of English language proficiency, and to assess their progress in acquiring the skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing English. Existing law requires, commencing with the 2003-04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 to successfully pass the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school.

Existing law also requires the State Department of Education to contract for the development of proposals that will provide for the retention and analysis of longitudinal pupil achievement data on the STAR and English language development tests and the high school exit examination, known as the California longitudinal pupil achievement data system.

This bill would declare that it is the intent of the Legislature to establish standards for access and use of pupil-level data contained in the California longitudinal pupil achievement data system consistent with state and federal law.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to establish
2 standards for access and use of pupil-level data contained in the
3 California longitudinal pupil achievement data system, which is
4 set forth in Section 60900 of the Education Code, consistent with
5 state and federal law.